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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Serial No.: 09/980,633 Group Art Unit: 2814

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For: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY PANEL

## TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Your petitioner, MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD., a corporation residing at 1006, Oaza Kadoma, Kadoma-shi, Osaka 571-8501 Japan, represents that it is the sole assignee of the entire right, title and interest in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/691,912, filed October 20, 2000, now U.S. Patent 6,525,798, as evidenced by an assignment from the inventors of the above-identified patent application. That assignment document (copy attached) was recorded in the USPTO on October 20, 2000, at Reel 011250, Frame 0033. Your petitioner, MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD., hereby disclaims the terminal part of any

patent granted on the above-identified application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of petitioner's commonly owned U.S. Patent 6,525,798, sole ownership of which by petitioner, as evidenced by assignment recorded in the USPTO on October 20, 2000, at Reel 011250, Frame 0033, and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to said patent shall be the same as the legal title to U.S. Patent 6,525,798, this agreement to run with any patent granted on the above-identified application and to be binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

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The undersigned has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the patent application identified above and, to the best of undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

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Respectfully submitted,

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